Government of the District of Columbia Office of the Chief Financial Officer



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MEMORANDUM

TO:

The Honorable Vincent C. Gray

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM:

Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE:

JUL 27 2007

SUBJECT:

Fiscal Impact Statement: "Department of Transportation

Establishment Amendment Act of 2007"

REFERENCE:

Draft Bill - No Number Assigned

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. It is not expected that the proposed legislation will have any fiscal impact on the District. Any unforeseen costs associated with the implementation of this bill could be absorbed within existing District Department of Transportation (DDoT) resources.

Background

The proposed legislation is intended to make technical corrections to the Department of Transportation Establishment Act of 2002¹ and to amend the Act to allow DDoT to more effectively carry out its mission of managing and maintaining the transportation infrastructure and ensuring the safe, efficient movement of people, goods and information along public rights-of-way.

Specifically, the proposed legislation would clarify and broaden the authority of the Director of DDoT to issue grants to achieve safety objectives and the District's transportation goals; distribute funds as grants to support community-based transportation enhancement activities that are funded and approved by the Federal Highway Administration; and enter into agreements with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to achieve transportation goals.

¹ Effective May 21, 2002. D.C. Law 14-137; D.C. Official Code § 50-921.01 et seq.

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Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the proposed FY 2008 through FY 2011 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed legislation. It is not expected that the proposed legislation will have a significant fiscal impact on the District. Any unforeseen costs associated with the implementation of this bill could be absorbed with existing DDoT resources.